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H.Con.Res. 312 – Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for FY 2009

1. Structured rule.
2. Provides four hours of general debate with three hours equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and Ranking Minority Member of the Committee on the Budget and one hour on the subject of economic goals and policies equally divided and controlled by Representative Maloney of New York and Representative Saxton of New Jersey or their designees.
3. Waives all points of order against consideration of the concurrent resolution.
4. Provides that the concurrent resolution shall be considered for amendment under the five minute rule and that the concurrent resolution shall be considered as read.
5. Makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution.
6. Provides that the amendments made in order may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment.
7. Waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report except that the adoption of an amendment in the nature of a substitute shall constitute the conclusion of consideration of the concurrent resolution for amendment.
8. Permits the Chairman of the Budget Committee to offer amendments in the House to achieve mathematical consistency.
9. Provides that the concurrent resolution shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question of its adoption.

10. Provides that after the motion that the Committee rise has been rejected on a legislative day, the Chair may entertain another such motion on that day only if offered by the Chairman of the Committee on the Budget or the Majority Leader and that after a motion to strike out the resolving words of the bill has been rejected, the Chair may not entertain another such motion during further consideration of the bill.
11. Provides that, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the concurrent resolution to a time designated by the Speaker.
12. Provides for a motion to take the Senate concurrent resolution on the budget from the table, strike all after the resolving clause, and to insert in lieu thereof the provisions of House Concurrent Resolution 312 as adopted by the House.

RESOLUTION

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 312) revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2009, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2010 through 2013. The first reading of the concurrent resolution shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the concurrent resolution are waived. General debate shall not exceed four hours, with three hours confined to the congressional budget equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget and one hour on the subject of economic goals and policies equally divided and controlled by Representative Maloney of New York and Representative Saxton of New Jersey or their designees. After general debate the concurrent resolution shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. The concurrent resolution shall be considered as read. No amendment shall be in order except those printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution. Each amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by a proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. All points of order against the amendments printed in the report are waived except that the adoption of an amendment in the nature of a

substitute shall constitute the conclusion of consideration of the concurrent resolution for amendment. After the conclusion of consideration of the concurrent resolution for amendment, the Committee shall rise and report the concurrent resolution to the House with such amendment as may have been adopted. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the concurrent resolution and amendments thereto to final adoption without intervening motion except amendments offered by the chairman of the Committee on the Budget pursuant to section 305(a)(5) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to achieve mathematical consistency. The concurrent resolution shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question of its adoption.

Sec. 2. After a motion that the Committee rise has been rejected on a legislative day, the Chair may entertain another such motion on that day only if offered by the chairman of the Committee on the Budget or the Majority Leader or a designee. After a motion to strike out the resolving words of the concurrent resolution (as described in clause 9 of rule XVIII) has been rejected, the Chair may not entertain another such motion during further consideration of the concurrent resolution.

Sec. 3. During consideration in the House of House Concurrent Resolution 312 pursuant to this resolution, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the concurrent resolution to such time as may be designated by the Speaker.

Sec. 4. After adoption of House Concurrent Resolution 312, it shall be in order to take from the Speaker's table Senate Concurrent Resolution 70 and to consider the Senate concurrent resolution in the House. All points of order against the Senate concurrent resolution and against its consideration are waived. It shall be in order to move to strike all after the resolving clause of the Senate concurrent resolution and to insert in lieu thereof the provisions of House Concurrent Resolution 312 as adopted by the House. All points of order against that motion are waived.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS PROPOSED TO BE MADE IN ORDER

(summaries derived from information provided by sponsors)

Sponsor	#	Description	Debat Time
1. Kilpatrick (MI)/Scott, Robert (VA):	#10	Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute. The substitute amendment, submitted on behalf of the Congressional Black Caucus, seeks an alternative budget that balances the budget in FY 2012. The CBC budget funds programs and services in the areas of health care, education, veterans benefits and services for low-income families. It also provides for additional services for the administration of justice and funds the recommendations of the House Committee on Homeland Security.	(1 hour
2. Lee (CA):	#14	Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute. The substitute amendment from the Congressional Progressive Caucus provides at least \$551.7 billion for domestic, non-military discretionary spending in FY09; provides a \$118.9 billion economic stimulus package; extends unemployment insurance, food stamp benefits, and Medicaid payments to states; and, spends \$468.3 billion on defense. The Progressive Caucus budget balances by FY12 and rebalances again in FY18, upon completion of our Reinvest and Rebuild America Initiative.	(1 hour
3. Ryan, Paul (WI):	#22	Amendment in the Nature of a Substitute. The Republican substitute amendment balances the budget by 2012, retains provisions enacted in 2001/2003, prevents expansion of the AMT for the next 3 years, and achieves full repeal in 2013. Provides total discretionary budget authority of \$1.04 trillion in fiscal year 2009, a 4.3-percent increase from 2008 enacted level. It imposes a moratorium on congressional earmarks for the balance of the 110th Congress; requires a separate vote on increasing the public debt; requires cost estimates on conference reports and unreported bills; prohibits domestic add-ons to emergency war spending bills; limits long-term spending commitments; prevents use of reconciliation to increase spending; limits "advance appropriations" to \$23.565 billion in 2010; provides a \$7.3-billion domestic emergency reserve fund; provides for contingency war funds; incorporates bipartisan Legislative Line Item Veto. Calls for 1 percent decrease in entitlement program spending.	(1 hour